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MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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 - d. the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
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JP 2004-046809 corresponds to WO 2003/098512 and U.S. 2004/0034786;
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JP 2003-131751 corresponds to WO 2002/101524 and U.S. 2003/0005315;
JP 08-137686 corresponds to U.S. 5,870,467; and
JP 08-329011 corresponds to U.S. 6,343283.

5. A foreign patent office search report citing one or more of the references is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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